

**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN WELFARE-TO-WORK**

NAME	DATE:
COUNTY NAME:	CASE NUMBER:

Because the state law has stopped the Cal-Learn Program, you now need to participate in Welfare-to-Work. In Welfare-to-Work you will still need to go to school like you did in Cal-Learn, but some of the rules will be different from Cal-Learn. Some of the new rules are on the other side of this notice.

An appointment has been made for you on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock, at \_\_\_\_\_ to tell you about the new rules and what services the county may offer you.

If you cannot go to this meeting, call \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ to schedule another date.

If you have any questions about the information in this notice, call your Cal-Learn worker at (    ) \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ right away.

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## THE STATE LAW HAS CHANGED THE CAL-LEARN PROGRAM NEW RULES FOR PREGNANT AND PARENTING TEENS

State law has stopped the Cal-Learn program for one year. Beginning July 1, 2011, if you are a pregnant or parenting teen in the Cal-Learn program, you will instead be required to participate in the CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work program.

**New Welfare-to-Work Requirements for Teen Parents:** In the Welfare-to-Work program, you will be required to attend school to earn your high school diploma or its equivalent like you did in Cal-Learn. You will still be eligible for supportive services, like child care and transportation, you need to attend school.

**Cal-Learn Bonuses:** The \$100 Cal-Learn bonuses for making satisfactory progress in school and the \$500 graduation bonus will continue in the Welfare-to-Work program.

**Welfare-to-Work Sanctions and School Attendance Penalties:** There will no longer be a \$100 sanction (penalty) for not making adequate progress in school. Instead, if you do not make adequate progress in school or you do not attend school regularly without a good reason, you will get a Welfare-to-Work sanction or a school attendance penalty. The sanction or penalty amount will be based on your age.

- If you are 16, 17, 18, or 19 years old and are not attending school or not making adequate progress, your family's cash aid will be lowered by the amount of cash aid your family gets for you.
- If you are under 16 and not attending school regularly, your family's cash aid will be lowered by the amount of cash aid your family gets for your parent(s)/caretaker relative.
- If you are under 16 and are attending school but not making adequate progress in school, your family's cash aid will be lowered by the amount of cash aid your family gets for you.